

**BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY**  
Professional and Vocational Licensing Division  
Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs  
State of Hawaii

MINUTES OF MEETING

The agenda for this meeting was filed with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, as required by §92-7(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

Date: October 18, 2013

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Place: Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
King Kalakaua Building  
335 Merchant Street, 1st Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Present: Carol L. Nowak, Ph.D., Chairperson  
Scott Hashimoto, J.D., Psy.D., Vice Chairperson  
Rosemary Adam-Terem, Ph.D., Member  
Lisa Chun Fat, Member  
Brian B. Combs, Ph.D., Member  
Frances P. Hackbarth, Member  
Margo I. Peter, Psy.D., Member  
Ahlani K. Quiogue, Executive Officer  
Shari J. Wong, Deputy Attorney General ("DAG")  
Faith Nishimura, Secretary

Guests: Alex Santiago, Hawaii Psychological Association  
Jeffrey Stern, Ph.D., Hawaii Psychological Association

Call to Order: There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairperson Nowak at 1:30 p.m.

**The following agenda item was taken out of order.**

Unfinished Business: a. House Concurrent Resolution No. 201, H.D. 1

House Concurrent Resolution No. 201, H.D.1 ("HCR 201") urges the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs and the Hawaii Psychological Association ("HPA") to develop draft legislation which would establish, implement, and monitor continuing education requirements for all licensed psychologists in the Hawaii.

Alex Santiago, Executive Director, HPA and Jeffrey Stern, Ph.D., Chair, HPA, Continuing Education Committee appeared before the Board to discuss the above mentioned measure.

Executive Officer Quiogue informed members that she and Mr. Santiago would need to meet to discuss draft legislation which would be presented to the Board at its November meeting. She went on to say that this Board meeting would serve as means for HPA and the Board to discuss and answer any questions it may have regarding this matter.

Chairperson Nowak asked Mr. Santiago and Dr. Stern for an update regarding the draft legislation.

Dr. Stern indicated that the HPA's Committee on Continuing Education ("Committee") is planning to meet later in the week to discuss this matter and to draft language for a bill. He went on to say that Mr. Santiago had provided the Committee with members' questions from its September 20, 2013 meeting, which included the following:

'Chairperson Nowak inquired whether NASW conferences would meet the CE requirements for psychologists. She also inquired whether conferences for any health related profession would meet the CE requirements.'

In response to these questions, Dr. Stern indicated that organizations such as the NASW or ASWB may meet the requirements for continuing education. However, the Board would ultimately be responsible for approving such courses.

Executive Officer Quiogue reminded members and guests that based on the previous discussion at the September 20, 2013 meeting, she was under the impression that courses would be previously approved by a particular organization or organizations. She went on to say that because the composition of the Board changes, it would be difficult administratively to track what was/is approved by the Board. To remain consistent, the CE courses/providers should first be approved by an organization such as the APA or HPA as it has established guidelines in place.

Dr. Stern referred to Dr. Peter's question regarding whether there will be conferences specific to only psychologists.

Dr. Stern indicated that in general, conferences sponsored by the HPA are open to a number of professions, with sessions specific to psychologists.

Dr. Stern expressed his concern that by allowing only approved APA or HPA courses/providers it would be restrictive to some of the neighbor island licensees.

Dr. Adam-Terem answered that there are numerous approved courses provided by the American Psychological Association (“APA”) and the HPA. She indicated that in Hawaii there are a total of three (3) approved providers.

Executive Officer Quiogue stated that based on her research, there are also APA approved providers in Canada, Europe, and Puerto Rico.

Dr. Stern referred to Dr. Combs’ statement and question, which states that:

‘Draft legislation would include recognizing CEs from: teaching university level classes, authoring articles, chapters and books, preparing for (updating literature) and making presentations, and attending continuing medical education or other appropriate offerings. Dr. Combs questioned whether the Board would be responsible for reviewing these types of activities.’

Discussion followed. Executive Officer Quiogue indicated that ultimately the Board would be responsible to review these types of activities.

Dr. Stern referred to DAG Wong’s question regarding ‘which state would HPA like to mirror regarding its CE requirements?’

Discussion followed. Dr. Stern indicated that the Committee had no preference.

DAG Wong entered the meeting room at 1:36 p.m.

Mr. Santiago expressed similar concerns as Dr. Stern in that neighbor island licensees would have limited access to fulfilling their continuing education requirements.

Executive Officer Quiogue reminded members and guests that that at its September 20, 2013 meeting, it was her understanding that courses would be offered in a number of formats including both in-person conferences and online.

Dr. Peter suggested that courses be sponsored only by nationally accredited agencies/organizations specific to psychology. She went on to say that if the purpose of CE is for professional development, then it should be specific to psychology.

Mr. Santiago indicated that the draft legislation needs to be clear

about who is an approved course provider.

Dr. Combs asked how many licensees would be selected for the audit.

Executive Officer Quiogue answered that the Board would randomly audit between five (5) and ten (10) percent of psychologists who hold active licenses.

Dr. Stern indicated that one of its members of the Committee suggested only auditing licensees who had deficits with ethics and/or professionalism.

Chair Nowak and several members expressed their concern with this suggestion.

Dr. Combs indicated that the approved courses should also include other organizations that are not affiliated with APA or HPA.

Discussion followed. Executive Officer Quiogue stated that the Board must make a decision regarding whether: 1) it would be responsible for reviewing and approving all sponsors/courses for CE; or 2) it would specify an organization(s) to approve sponsors/courses.

After further discussion, the Board determined that each licensee shall complete 20 credit hours of CE every 2 years to satisfy the continuing education requirements. The Board also stated, and guests agreed, that acceptable CE courses shall be approved by the APA, HPA, or other state or provincial psychological association.

Mr. Santiago and Dr. Stern left the meeting room at 2:25 p.m.

Approval of the Meeting Minutes:

It was moved by Mrs. Hackbarth, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to approve both the meeting minutes and executive session minutes of the September 20, 2013 meeting as circulated.

Additions/Revisions to Agenda:

It was moved by Dr. Adam-Terem, seconded by Ms. Chun Fat, and unanimously carried to add the following matter to the agenda:

7. Applications

a. Examination

iv. John P. Pyles

RICO Psychology Advisory Committee: It was moved by Dr. Peter, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to approve the following names as Advisory Committee members effective January 1, 2014:

Dr. Gary M. Farkas  
Dr. Raymond A. Folen  
Dr. Roger S. Hamada  
Dr. Richard P. Kappenberg  
Dr. Joan W. Koff  
Dr. Kathleen M. McNamara  
Dr. Thomas S. Merrill  
Dr. Kristina L. Moore  
Dr. Terri L. Needels  
Dr. Craig H. Robinson  
Dr. William T. Tsushima

The Board also approved the following addendum language:

“The RICO Psychology Advisory Committee List also includes any additional interim appointees that RICO deem necessary to aid in its investigations.”

Chairperson's Report: None.

Executive Officer's Report: a. Record of Candidates Examined: For the Examination for Professional Practice in Psychology (EPPP)

Executive Officer Quiogue reported that there were a total of two (2) candidates who took and passed the EPPP exam as of September 30, 2013.

DAG Wong left the meeting room at 2:29 p.m.

Executive Session: It was moved by Dr. Combs, seconded by Dr. Adam-Terem, and unanimously carried to enter into executive session at 2:30 p.m. pursuant to Section 92-5(a)(1), HRS, to consider and evaluate personal information relating to individuals applying for professional license cited in Section 26-9, HRS.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 3:00 p.m., it was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Mrs. Hackbarth, and unanimously carried to return to open session. The room was reopened to the public.

Applications: a. Examination

- ii. Sara J. Landes
- iii. Graciete T. Lo
- iv. John P. Pyles

It was moved by Dr. Adam-Terem, seconded by Ms. Chun Fat, and unanimously carried to approve the applications of Drs. Landes, Lo and Pyles pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9.

- i. Adrianna M. Flavin

It was moved by Dr. Combs, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to defer the application of Dr. Flavin pursuant to HRS § 465-7 and HAR §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9.

- b. Examination Waiver

- ii. Laura Pucci

It was moved by Dr. Hashimoto, seconded by Ms. Chun Fat, and unanimously carried to approve the application of Dr. Pucci pursuant to HRS §§ 465-7 and 465-10 and HAR §§ 16-98-9, 16-98-16, 16-98-23, 16-98-25 and 16-98-30.

- i. Felicia Mueller

It was moved by Ms. Chun Fat, seconded by Dr. Combs, and unanimously carried to defer the application of Dr. Mueller pursuant to HRS §§ 465-7 and 465-10 and HAR §§ 16-98-9, 16-98-16, 16-98-23, 16-98-25 and 16-98-30.

- c. Senior Psychologist

None.

- d. ABPP Diplomate

None.

- d. CPQ/NR

None.

- f. Ratifications

None.

New Business: None.

Correspondence: a. Quality Professional Development and Continuing Education

Information regarding Quality Professional Development and Continuing Education was distributed amongst members for informational purposes only.

b. Education and Training: Changes in the Sequence of Training Leading to Licensure

Information regarding Education and Training: Changes in the Sequence of Training Leading to Licensure was distributed amongst members for informational purposes only.

c. Email dated September 16, 2013 from Gina Reyes, Psy.D. regarding licensure eligibility

Members reviewed an email from Gina Reyes, Psy.D. dated September 16, 2013, regarding licensure eligibility.

In particular, Dr. Reyes asked whether her doctoral degree in clinical psychology from Alliant International University (APA accredited in Clinical Psychology) would meet the Board's requirements. Furthermore, Dr. Reyes proposed to complete an additional 329 hours of pre-doctoral hours (to arrive at the 1900 hours) at the Hawaii Guidance Center.

Discussion followed. Members instructed its Executive Officer to advise Dr. Reyes of the following, that her:

- o Doctoral degree in clinical psychology obtained at Alliant International University (APA Accredited in Clinical Psychology), meets the requirements of §465-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") and §§ 16-98-8 and 16-98-9, Hawaii Administrative Rules ("HAR"). However, because Dr. Reyes' pre-doctoral internship experience consisted of 1,571 hours, the Board determined that she would not meet its requirements for licensure. In order to meet the Board's requirements, Dr. Reyes would have to re-specialize and obtain any additional hours of pre-doctoral internship experience during the re-specialization program. Members noted, as did Dr. Reyes, that she is not eligible for a re-specialization program because she holds a degree in Clinical Psychology.
- o Proposal to complete an additional 329 pre-doctoral hours after the conferment of her doctoral degree cannot be

granted. Any hours obtained after the conferment of a doctoral degree would be considered post-doctoral experience.

Members suggested that Dr. Reyes consider one of its other methods of licensure, such as holding a current: Certificate of Professional Qualification in Psychology (CPQ); Health Service Provider Credential issued by the National Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology (NR); or diplomate certificate in good standing granted by the American Board of Professional Psychology (ABPP).

d. Request for Informal Opinion: Proposal of Postdoctoral Experience of Natasha Shanahan, M.A., Psy.D. and Michelle Fukumoto, M.A., Ph.D.

Members reviewed a letter from Natasha Shanahan, M.A., Psy.D. and Michelle Fukumoto, M.A., Ph.D. dated October 5, 2013 requesting an informal opinion regarding possible postdoctoral work for the year 2013-2014 under the supervision of Donna Goodwin, Ph.D.

After discussion, the Board informally opined that the proposed postdoctoral experience would meet the Board's requirements as set forth in its statutes and rules.

Lastly, the Board advised that this response is an unofficial, nonbinding opinion in accordance with Hawaii Administrative Rules §16-201-90. It is not an official opinion or decision, and therefore, is not to be viewed as binding upon the Board or the Department of Commerce or Consumer Affairs.

Next Meeting: Friday, November 15, 2013  
1:30 p.m.  
Queen Liliuokalani Conference Room  
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335 Merchant Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Adjournment: There being no further business to discuss, it was moved by Dr. Combs, seconded by Dr. Hashimoto, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:15 p.m.



Reviewed and approved by:

Taken and recorded by:

/s/ Ahlani K. Quiogue  
Ahlani K. Quiogue  
Executive Officer

/s/ Faith Nishimura  
Faith Nishimura  
Secretary

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- Minutes approved as is.  
 Minutes approved with changes; see minutes of \_\_\_\_\_.